THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) The number of houses constructed by Chandigarh Housing Board during the last 3 years is as under:

Year	No. of houses constructed
1986-87	1494
1987-88	1725
198-89	3339
TOTAL	6558

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The details of houses allotted out of turn by the Administrator and Board out of their allotted quota of 5% each are as under:

Year	No. of houses allotted by	
	Administrator	Board
1986-87	20	19
1987-88	56	56
988-89	44	45
TOTAL	120	120

Issue of ration cards to all the citizens of the country

518. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to issue ration cards to all the citizens of the country without insisting on the applicant having a regular/fixed place of residence; and

(b) if so, what is the number of Jhuggi/pavement dwellers in Delhi who have been issued ration cards during the last three months?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI NATHU RAM MIRDHA): (a) Administration of the Public Distribution System rests with the State Governments/UT Administrations. Decisions regarding conditions of issue of ration cards, are taken by them.

(b) Over 70,000 food cards have been issued to residents of identifiable jhuggi jhopri clusters.

Import of rice

519. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have imported rice in the last three years;

(b) if so, what are the names of the exporting countries and the quantity imported country-wise;

(c) whether Government have decided to import rice during the current year and also next year; and

(d) if so, the quantity proposed to be imported and the names of countries, together with periods when the rice consignments are likely to be received ?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI NATHU RAM MIRDHA): (a) and (b) There was no import of rice dnring the years 1986-87 and 1987-88. India imported 6.84 lakh Metric Tonnes of rice from Thailand during 1988-89 to replenish

he depleted buffer stock of rice on account of heavy drawals necessitated by the severe drought of 1987-88.

(c) and (d) During 1989-90, a quantity of 5.24 lakh Metric Tonnes of rice has been imported against contracts signed during July to September, 1989 1.04 lakh M.T. from Thailand and 4.20 lakh M.T. from Vietnam. The Government have also accepted the proposal of the Government of Vietnam to repay about 44,980 M.T. of rice against the Food Loan, which is likely to be received during 1990-91. Besides this, there is at present no proposal to import further quantities of rice from anywhere.

Procedure for workers' participation in Management

520. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have finalised necessary procedures to ensure participation of workers in the Management;

(b) if so, the procedures alongwith the time-frame for implementation of this policy; and

(c) whether, besides public sector units, there would be any statutory provision for the private undertakings to implement this policy?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) to (e) A proposal to make the scheme of workers participation in management for public as well private sector statutory is under consideration of the Government.

Augmenting of Rail Facilities in Bihar during Eighth Plan period

521. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration for augmenting rail facilities in Bihar State during the Eighth Five Year Plan period; and

(b) if so, what are the details thecof?

THE MINISTER OF RAIL WAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b) Following Railway Development Schemes in Bihar world be in progress during Eighth Plan :——

Name of Project	Length (in Km.)	Cost (Rs. Crores)
1	2	3
I. NEW LINES		
1. Bagaha-Chhitauni (Restortion) (partly in U.P.)	28	129·43
II. GAUGE CONVERSIONS		
1. Samastipur-Darbhanga	38	26·02
2. Chhapra-Aunrihar (mostly in U.P.)	171	85·13